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SUBJ: MODE-COAST GUARD REQUEST TO ASSIGN INSPECTOR IN JAPAN

REF: A) COMDT COGARD 222105Z AUG 75

B) TOKYO 10805

C) STATE 206258

1. FOLLOWING DISCUSSIONS WITH COAST GUARD POLAD DIXON,
EMBASSY OFFERS FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL COMMENTS FOR DEPARTMENT'S
RESPONSE TO REF A:

2. OWING SOFA CONSIDERATIONS OUTLINED REF B, PROPOSED
USCG INSPECTOR CAN NOT RPT NOT BE ASSIGNED TO FESEC AT
YOKOTA AB IF HE IS TO RESIDE IN AND PERFORM FULL-TIME INSPECTION
DUTIES IN HIROSHIMA AREA.

3. ACTIVITIES OF INSPECTOR AND LOCATION OF RESIDENCE ALSO
AFFECT POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVES FAVORED BY USCG OF PERMANENT
ASSIGNMENT TO EMBASSY OR CONGEN OSAKA WITH DIPLOMATIC OR
CONSULAR STATUS, SINCE SUCH ASSIGNMENTS WOULD RAISE COMPLEX
QUESTIONS OF ACCREDITATION. GOJ HAS HERETOFORE BEEN
RELUCTANT (AND IS BECOMING MORE SO) TO GRANT DIPLOMATIC
OR CONSULAR STATUS TO USG AGENTS WHO ARE RESIDENTS AND
PERFORM PRINCIPAL FUNCTIONS OUTSIDE TOKYO OR CONSTITUENT
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POSTS. (CEPARTMENT WILL RECALL DIFFICULTIES WITH STATUS

OF AEC AND PHS EMPLOYEES ASSIGNED TO ABCC.) DEPARTMENT
MAY WISH CONYCDER ALTERNATIVE OF ASSIGNING USCG INSPECTOR
TO HIROSHIMA ON PERMANENT BASIS AS U.S. GOVERNMENT
OFFICIAL, BUT WITHOUT DIPLOMATIC OR CONSULAR STATUS.
VOA, AID AND ABCC OFFICIALS HAVE FUNCTIONED IN SUCH
CAPACITY WITHOUT SERIOUS PROBLEMS.

4. IF DEPARTMENT CONVINCED THAT U.S. LAW REQUIRES
PRESENCE OF INSPECTOR IN JAPAN, MID-DECEMBER ARRIVAL AS
SPECIFIED REF A WILL PROVIDE INSUFFICIENT LEAD-TIME
FOR ESTABLISHING INSPECTOR AS PERMANENT USG EMPLOYEE IN
JAPAN, SINCE PROCESS OF SECURING GOJ APPROVAL FOR
DIPLOMATIC, CONSULAR, OR OFFICIAL STATUS, EVEN IF
SUCCESSFUL, WILL REQUIRE CONSIDERABLE TIME. MOST FEASIBLE
COURSE OF CTION WHICH COULD MEET USCG REQUIREMENT WOULD
BE TO SEND INSPECTOR TO JAPAN ON RENEWABLE TDY BASIS TO
EMBASSY AS USG EMPLOYEE WITH OFFICIAL PASSPORT AND VISA
BUT WITHOUT FURTHER DESIGNATION OF STATUS. THIS PROCEDURE
IS EMPLOYED FOR OFFICERS OF VARIOUS OTHER USG AGENCIES WITH
TEMPORARY REQUIREMENT FOR REPRESENTATION IN JAPAN AND NO
PARTICULAR NOTIFICATION TO FONOFF WILL BE REQUIRED. IF
USG DECIDES ASSIGNMENT SHOULD BE PERMANENT AND GOJ EVENTUALLY
ACQUIESCES, STATUS OF INSPECTOR CAN BE ALTERED AT THAT TIME.

5. ANY SUCH PERMANENT ASSIGNMENT WOULD HAVE TO BE IN
ADDITION TO EMBASSY'S PRESENT MODE CEILING.

6. DEPARTMENT SHOULD INFORM USCG THAT EMBASSY DOES NOT
AT THIS TIME HAVE CAPABILITY OF PROVIDING ADMIN SUPPORT
FOR INSPECTOR'S OFFICE OR LODGINGS IN HIROSHIMA.
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